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Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
State of Louisiana
Post Office Box 44275
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Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

UL-5 Sand, Reservoir K, POINTE-A-LA-HACHE
FIELD, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

BEPCO, L.P. ("Applicant"), hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the UL-5 Sand, Reservoir K, in the Pointe-a-la-Hache Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana:

1. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize a substitute unit well for UL-5 RK SUA at any location within the unit which is within the target area as shown on the attached plat.
2. To approve an exception to the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E (LAC 43:XIX.1901 et seq.) for any location within the target area which is less than 330 feet from the boundary of UL-5 RK SUA.
3. To find that the proposed substitute unit well is necessary to efficiently and economically drain a portion of the UL-5 Sand, Reservoir K, underlying UL 5 RK SUA which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well on such unit.
4. To designate Applicant as Operator of UL 5 RK SUA.
5. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

The UL-5 Sand in the Pointe-a-la-Hache Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 462-G-5, effective April 4, 1978.

Any pertinent data concerning this application will be available for inspection at the offices of Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 North Causeway Boulevard, Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002-7216. Any person desiring to inspect any such data should call Mr. Louis Gilbert at (504) 834-8112 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such

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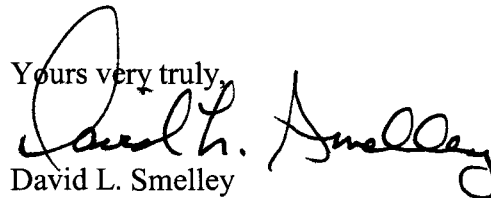
inspection. A copy of any such data which is not otherwise available at the Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

As provided by the Revised Rules of Procedure, the subject matter of this application does not require the issuance of a pre-application notice; therefore, no such notice has been issued.

Pursuant to the aforesaid Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of this letter, and of the attached plat, is being sent to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation and to the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties, as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing, and the attached plat, at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Pointe-a-la-Hache Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

A check payable to the Office of Conservation and covering the application fee is enclosed.

Yours very truly,

David L. Smelley

-- Attorney for Bepco, L.P.

DLS:dp
Enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson (w/encls.)
Mr. Kevin Smith (w/encls.)
Mr. Louis Gilbert (w/encls.)
Interested Owners, Represented
Parties and Interested Parties (w/plat only)

